

**SADDLE RIDGE ASSOCIATION, LTD**

P.O. Box 313, Portage, WI 53901

**MINUTES – June 17, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Dennis Allen.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Dennis Allen, Larry Schlosser, Kristie Nielson Corning, Joy Smith, Fred Whitrock

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUEST/S:**

Mary Soderlund, Unit 920; Betty Orth and Brian Spicer, 1056; Pat Greig, Unit 1066

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

- **Secretary’s Report:** (as presented by Kristie Nielson Corning) Copies of the May 20, 2019 minutes were provided in hard copy format, reviewed with some discussion. No additional comments or suggested edits were made on content. Minutes were accepted by unanimous consent.
- **Treasurer’s Report:** (as reported by Joy Smith) Copies of the May Treasurer’s Report were provided in hard copy format, reviewed with no additional comments or suggested edits. No budgetary concerns at this time. Treasurer’s Report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- **Marina Budget Report:** (as reported by Joy Smith for Tom Benson) Copies of the May Marina Report were provided in hard copy format, reviewed with no additional comments or suggested edits. No budgetary concerns at this time. Marina Report was accepted by unanimous consent.

**GUEST CONCERNS/BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR (open forum):**

- Concerns on the use of firearms and the killing of animals in Saddle Ridge has been brought forward. (Refer to Saddle Ridge By-Laws and Wis. Stat. s. 941.20). All associations should be made aware of the restrictions and reiterate to their residents that there is no shooting of animals allowed. Dennis Allen will send letter out to the other associations regarding this issue.

NOTE: Pat Greig (Unit 1063) has volunteered to be the point person for trapping and releasing any nuisance animals. Feel free to contact her at 708-408-1838 or [pmgreig@yahoo.com](mailto:pmgreig@yahoo.com).

A question was raised about removal of dead trees from common grounds. Dennis Allen stated the Association would only remove dead trees if there was imminent danger of injury or property damage to adjacent units. Removal of dead trees by unit owners would be at their sole responsibility and liability. No specific action was asked of or taken by the Board.

There was also a question raised about plans for shoreline cleanup. SRA is currently scheduling the removal of branches and trees that have dropped along the shoreline but no hard date has been set. It is anticipated that this will be completed in the fall.

NOTE: Madsaw Tree Service (Rio, WI) has assessed the condition of some trees that have been in question and reports that they are not in bad shape. Based on that information, they are not on the list for removal. Residents have been informed of that decision.

- Davis Construction will be looking at garage water issues to assess and propose solutions in the near future. The SRA Board plans to take action on this at the July or August meeting.
- SRA water leak is still being investigated. There are no new developments to date. The Wisconsin Water Well Association (Milwaukee, WI) and General Engineering (Portage, WI) have

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not been able to locate the leak (currently about 800,000 gallons per month). General Engineering is currently looking at other specialized contractors who may have the needed equipment to locate the problem so it can be fixed as soon as possible.

General Engineering performs routine monthly water testing. The only follow-up that is done is based on negative reports. If there are no concerns there will be no follow-up to the SRA.

- Retaining walls considered for replacement were revisited. Due to prior installation of some retaining walls, it has been suggested that a contractor be consulted to assess any damage that may occur during removal and replacement. Dennis Allen will look in individual unit files to collect any information on prior work that had been done in the past to determine how best to proceed. Follow-up by unit owners and/or Dennis will take place in several weeks.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- ROOFING UPDATE – 2019 PROJECT TIMEFRAME: 2018 projects have been completed. Ullrich Home Improvements (Poynette, WI) has measured three roofing projects to be completed in July.
- SIDING REPAIR/RETAINING WALL UPDATES: There have been some siding repairs completed. See unit owner concerns for information on retaining walls.
- PARKING UPDATES/CHANGING NEEDS/SOLUTIONS: Parking issues were discussed at the April meeting. Action was taken based on discussions with unit owners and property owners (once clarification was made on who owned the property in question). Several of the property owners (Pat Kirk and Florence Coleman) have granted permission to park in several designated areas located adjacent to unit 823. The gravel parking areas that have been added are working well and have solved prior issues. The July issue of “Refresher Course 5,” addressing traffic laws, speed limits, recreational vehicles, golf carts and parking is now available on the SRA web site.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- WORK ORDER INCREASES/CLEANING GUTTERS AND POWER WASHING: SRA is still struggling with finding people to fill maintenance positions. Thus, the list of work orders grows. There are several outstanding requests that have taken priority based on the urgency of those requests. SRA will continue to work through these. Gutters and power washing has started with no projected end date. Any concerns should be sent to Dennis Allen.
- WOOD BURNING FIRE PITS: Discussion on wood burning fire pits. By-laws state that all fire pits must be on paved or concrete surfaces and a minimum of 10' from any structure. The August issue of “Refresher Course 6,” addressing fire pits and other outdoor equipment, will be coming out in July.
- ROAD COMMITTEE UPDATE: The committee met with Davis Construction and was provided with an overview of the 19 sections of road with square footage. This will allow for easy identification when assessing charges to each association. Davis also gave an approximate life span of each road as they currently exist. Repairing the “alligator edges” on identified roads could expand their life span by 5-10 years. Between now and July SRA will think about what minor repairs should be done and/or consider and schedule regrind and road replacements. It should be noted that there are some road that need immediate attention. The expectation is that the road project will be started in July of 2019. Davis is able to do a section at a time if it is more than 15,000 sq. feet they can do for set price. If we go with

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individualized repairs we should mark those areas and they will assess with an estimate. There are some roads that need immediate attention.

- **NOTE:** Scott Construction did do an assessment but no further information has been received. As of the June 17 meeting, there has been no response from General Engineering.
- **RECYCLING UPDATE:** In an attempt to go fully automated, Waste Management will be providing new recycling receptacles for all units. Dennis Allen will send out notification when the new receptacles become available. A pickup schedule will be attached to each receptacle and also posted on the web site in the near future. The anticipated start date is the week of July 8, 2019.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:44 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** July 15, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Kristie Nielson Corning, Secretary  
Saddle Ridge Association, Ltd.